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Response to Rule 312 Communication	Application No. 09/671,802	Applicant(s) FINDERS ET AL.	
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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 21 September 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

The IDS filed (September 28, 2000) has been considered. An initialed copy is attached herewith. The claims are allowable for reasons of record.


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PRIMARY EXAMINER

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Application No.: (Herewith)

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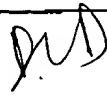
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Sir:

In addition to the enclosed documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449,
the Examiner's attention is directed to the U.S. Application of:

Examiner's Initials	Inventor	Application No.
	MULKENS et al	09/287,014

Consideration thereof is earnestly solicited since unpublished patent applications are contemplated as IDS material; see the exception in Rule 98(a)(2)(iii) and the final paragraph of MPEP 609.

Further, in keeping with MPEP 609 pages 600-112, second column, line 23 to end of paragraph (especially note lines 26-30) please return a copy of this paper with the

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